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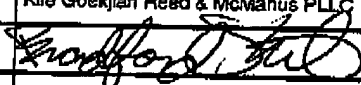
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System and Method

Examiner: Stephen Gordon

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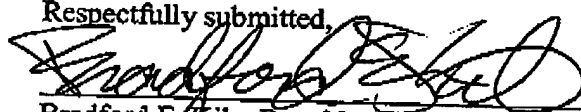
In response to an Office Action mailed 01/03/2005, applicant elects for immediate prosecution claims 1-19, without prejudice, to filing a divisional application directed to the subject matter of claims 20-22.

Applicant traverses the request for restriction and believes that the subject matter of claims 20-22 is not distinct as compared with the subject matter of claims 1-19 and therefore applicants request reconsideration of the request for restriction. In companion applications serial Nos. 10/730,024 and 10/730,625 the USPTO, through Examiner Chenevert (Art Unit 3612) has examined both method and apparatus claims, in the same application, and all claims in both applications currently stand allowed.

Early reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction is respectfully solicited. No fee is deemed necessary in connection with this election of invention.

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Respectfully submitted,



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